



OPERATIONAL MEMO

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Purpose and Audience:

The purpose of this Operational Memo is to inform hospitals, nursing facilities, Single Entry Point (SEP) agencies, Community Centered Boards (CCB), Mental Health Centers (MHC), and other interested stakeholders of the transition of Pre-Admission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) work to a statewide vendor. The purpose of the transition to a statewide vendor is to develop, coordinate, and perform a more efficient and effective streamlined review and evaluation process for the PASRR program.

Information:

The Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (Department) is in the process of transitioning PASRR work currently conducted by MHCs, OBRA Coordinators, and CCBs to one statewide vendor. The date of transition will be September 1, 2019. Beginning

this date, all Level I Assessments, Level II Evaluations, Status Change Reviews, and other PASRR related work will be submitted to eQHealth.

Nursing home staff, hospital staff and SEP agencies will continue to complete the initial Level I Assessment and submit to eQHealth via the eQHealth portal. eQHealth will evaluate all Level I Assessments to determine if additional evaluation is necessary and provide approval for nursing facility admission. eQHealth will employ Level II Evaluators to conduct all Level II Evaluations when necessary. Nursing facilities will send all Status Change Reviews to eQHealth via the portal.

The State Mental Health Authority (SMHA) and the State Intellectual Disability Authority (SIDA) will remain as the authorities that issue final approval or denial following Level II Evaluations.

The Department is currently working with eQHealth to ensure access to their portal is provided as well as training on their portal for all impacted staff and agencies. The Department will announce those training dates in the coming weeks. Additional information will be provided through this Memo Series as it becomes available.

Attachments:

None

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